

years of painstaking effort in the preparation of this book have met with the full appreciation of his colleagues and of all who take pride in the long list of tireless and hardy workers whose names will ever be associated with the advances and triumphs of American medicine.

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PROGRESSIVE MEDICINE. A QUARTERLY DIGEST OF ADVANCES, DISCOVERIES, AND IMPROVEMENTS IN THE MEDICAL AND SURGICAL SCIENCES. Edited by HOBART AMORY HARE, M. D., Professor of Therapeutics and Diagnosis in the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia; Physician to the Jefferson Medical College Hospital, etc. Assisted by LEIGHTON F. APPLEMAN, M. D., Instructor in Therapeutics, Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, etc. Vol. II, June, 1913; pp. 449; 131 illustrations. Philadelphia and New York: Lea and Febiger, 1913.

MANY interesting volumes of *Progressive Medicine* have been reviewed in these columns, but none has furnished more instructive and important information than is to be found in Volume II for this year, which has been recently published. The opening contribution of 67 pages by William B. Coley deals exclusively with hernias, the many and varied phases of which are carefully discussed. John C. A. Gerster follows this with an admirable article of 118 pages on recent advances in surgery of the abdomen, exclusive of hernia. Under the stomach he dwells at length upon recent important observations on the Röntgen ray diagnosis of various gastric conditions and upon gastric ulcer. The small intestine, appendix, and large intestine are next discussed. Under the latter his views on the surgical treatment of constipation, with special reference to the notable work of W. B. Cannon and Arthur Keith on the anatomy and physiology of the large bowel, and Coffey's work on gastro-intestinal stasis and ptosis are well worth careful study by both internist and surgeon. Under the head of the liver, bile passages, and portal vein Gerster not only deals with a number of surgical considerations, but also invades the realm of medicine to the extent of devoting four pages to Roger's emetine treatment of amebic disease.

John G. Clark furnishes his always interesting review of gynecology. Very properly a little over one-quarter of his 116-page contribution is devoted to the cancer problem. Almost as much space is given to a discussion of Röntgen therapy in gynecology, especially in reference to uterine myomas. Uterine malpositions, menstruation, the ovary, gonorrhea in the female, tuberculosis of the kidney, cystitis and urethroscopy, and sterility in women may be mentioned specifically from among the many other important subjects upon which he lays stress.

The medical section of the volume consists of Alfred Stengel's 120-page article in which the various elements of the blood, including the bone marrow are first discussed. Pernicious anemia is disposed of in a few pages, whereas 18 pages are devoted to leukemia, indicating the trend of investigation during the past year. Primary splenomegaly and polycythemia are also dealt with at some length, as is hemorrhagic disease. After a brief survey of the adrenal glands and their diseases, Stengel devotes about six pages to gout and then enters upon a careful consideration of recent work on diabetes. Somewhat over a fourth of his entire contribution is given over to a discussion of the thyroid gland, various conditions affecting it, and exophthalmic goitre in particular.

In a short review of some 30 pages on ophthalmology, Edward Jackson contributes the concluding section. Under the various anatomical divisions of the eye he takes up the contributions of importance that have appeared during the past year in this particular field of work.

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THE CATARRHAL AND SUPPURATIVE DISEASES OF THE ACCESSORY SINUSES OF THE NOSE. By ROSS HALL SKILLERN, M.D., Professor of Laryngology, Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia. Pp. 389; 247 drawings and 5 colored plates. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Company, 1913.

As he states in his preface to this able work, the author has endeavored to present in the English language a comprehensive and complete text-book on the nasal accessory sinuses. Heretofore the student of the many problems inspired by the vast interest in this subject that has arisen in recent years, mainly through the researches of the German school, has been compelled to seek for information in the works of Hajek, Zarnico, and others in German, or Luc in French. The only work in English dealing extensively with nasal sinusitis has been that of Logan Turner, of England.

The present volume bears ample evidence of the great amount of work and painstaking care of the author as shown by the references, well arranged at the foot of each page, there being no less than 586 of these, comprising an almost complete bibliography of the subject.

The work is systematically arranged for convenience in study and reference, starting with a chapter on general considerations, which includes anatomy, physiology, differential diagnosis, and treatment. The four succeeding chapters deal with the respective sinuses in detail, namely, the maxillary sinus, the frontal sinus, the ethmoid labyrinth, and the sphenoid sinus. The plan in each of these is to give the detailed surgical anatomy, etiology, diagnosis, symptoms,